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To: Nuclear medicine technologists, radioactive materials licensees,

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From: MRTBE

Subject: Nuclear Medicine Technologist Licensure

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Beginning January 1, 2004, a state license will be required of individuals practicing as nuclear medicine technologists. Applicants certified by the ARRT or NMTCB will meet the requirements for licensure. To assure you are licensed when the statute takes effect, submit an application by December 12, 2003.

Applicants practicing nuclear medicine prior to January 1, 2004 who are not registered by either the ARRT or NMTCB will be eligible for a temporary license valid for 6 months and renewable one time for a total of 12 months. During the 12 month period, the temporary license must be converted to a permanent license by passing the state nuclear medicine technology examination. Documentation verifying employment as a nuclear medicine technologist prior to January 1, 2004 must be provided to be eligible to take the state certification examination.

The MRTBE has contracted with the ARRT to administer and score the certification exam. Negotiations are currently underway to obtain the same type of agreement with the NMTCB.

To help guide your study efforts, you may visit the ARRT website (<a href="www.arrt.org">www.arrt.org</a>) which contains the content specifications for the examination. The content specifications list the knowledge and skills covered by the examination. There is also a review class which is specifically designed to help individuals prepare for the exam being offered by Gateway Community College in Phoenix. The class is being made available on campus and also on the internet.

Applications are available online at <a href="www.arra.state.az.us">www.arra.state.az.us</a>. Directions for completing the application are included but any questions about the application process, including the amount of the pro-rated application fee can submitted on the website or by calling (602) 255-4845. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to write or call.